

Tale 5: A Forgotten Legend





Flying over the battle-cracked ground is



MY
STUFF
ARE
FALLING
OFF
!!

TAQUA!

NOT
TOO
FAST
!!!

SHUT UP
OR YOU'LL
BITE YOUR
TONGUE!





SHEROY
ARE YOU
OKAY???

DID
YOU JUST
SUMMON
A DEMON
???



I
BROUGHT
THEM

USE THE
FRIGGIN'
DOOR



WELL IT'S
A GOOD
THING WE
DID

I SAW YOU
SUMMONING
THE DEMON,
YOU
CRIMINAL!!

AND
A WEEK
BEFORE
THAT?

NOT TO
GO NEAR
THYR LURE
HIDE...

NOT TO
GO NEAR
THYR LURE
HIDE...

AND
THE DAY
BEFORE
THAT?

WHAT
DID I TELL
YOU THIS
MORNING?

NOT TO
GO NEAR
THYR LURE
HIDE...





W- WHAT
ARE YOU
GONNA DO
WITH THOSE?



AARRGHHH!

SIT STILL!

TALENTED
WAS THE
BEST IN THE
VILLAGE!

HE'S LUCKY
GURANT IS
SUCH A
TALENTED
HERL.



DONE!



SAY THAT
AGAIN WHEN
YOU GET A
SCHOLARSHIP
FROM THE RUI
ACADEMY!

FM THE
BEST!

THAT'S NOTHING
COMPARED TO
THE OFFER HE
GOT FROM RUI!

I HAVE A
DEGREE FROM
THE RUI
ACADEMY!



YOU DON'T GET
UNSCATHED
WHEN YOU'RE
UP AGAINST
THE STRONGEST
HOLDER LIKE
MEUSARD!

WHEN YOU'RE
UP AGAINST
A STRONGER

AREN'T YOU
THE MOST
POWERFUL
HOLDER? YOU
SHOULD COME
OUT OF BATTLES
UNSCATHED!

NEXT TIME
BE MORE
CAREFUL. NOT
TO GET HURT!

IM A
BATTERY!
OF COURSE
I GET
HURT!



I HAVE
NO IDEA
HOW TO
RUN A
COUNTRY

THAT'S
BECAUSE

ABOUT
THAT

WHY DO
YOU STILL
LET HIM
RUN THE
COUNTRY?

BECAUSE?



AM THE
ONE WHO
SENT THAT
LETTER? WHEN IS HE
COMING?

SHOULD BE
SOME TIME
SOON

BESIDES, IM
ONLY KEEPING
HIM THERE TILL
MY BROTHER
COMES
HE'LL KNOW
WHAT TO DO

THAT PLACE
IS FULL OF
HOLDERS! I
TOLD YOU I
JUST WANT TO
CONFISCATE
THEIR STONES!

THEN WHY
DID YOU TAKE
OVER THIS
PLACE HERE
IN THE FIRST
PLACE??



OF COURSE HE LOOKS

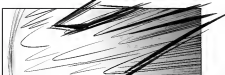
HIM?



HEY, WHAT DOES YOUR BROTHER LOOK LIKE?



...A
LITTLE
BIT LIKE
ME.





SPEAKING
OF WHICH

AFTER ALL
THAT WE'VE
DONE FOR
THEM

THOSE
BASTARDS
HAVE BEEN
WAITING TO
DO THIS ALL
ALONG

I SHALL
A TRAITOR
AMONG US



HIGH AND HONOR
ON INCLUDED. THE
ONES WHO DID
ARE MOSTLY THOSE
INVOLVED IN OUR
BOYHOOD-THE-SCENES
ACTIVITIES



OTHERWISE HE
WOULDN'T BE
SO PRECISE
IN CHOOSING
WHO TO KILL
IN THAT CIRCUS



WE'VE
ALWAYS
HAD
TRAITORS,
JUNHAN LU



ON THE
OTHER HAND,
ESPECIALLY WHO
IS NOTORIOUS
FOR HAVING
SLAIN HUNDREDS
OF MEN BARELY
WORTH A RUB

IT'S AS IF
HE KNOWS
THAT SHE
IS MERELY
BEING
USED BY
MURASAKI
AND
NERVANA



NO, I FEAR
SOMETHING
WORSE.

DEAN?



HE GETS
THEM FROM
SOMEWHERE ELSE.

BUT THEY
ARE MOSTLY
COWARDS.

HE WOULDN'T
GET THAT MUCH
INFORMATION
FROM THEM.



ARE YOU
TRYING
TO SAY

NO, THAT'S
IMPOSSIBLE!
SOMETHING
SO
CONVENIENT
CAN'T...



HAVE YOU
EVER HEARD
OF THE MIND-
READING
ABILITY?



BUT HOW
DO YOU
KNOW? MAY
ARE YOU
SO SURE?

IT HAS
ALREADY
HAPPENED,
LU.

HE IS
WITHOUT A DOUBT
A MIND-
READER.



EVEN THOUGH
HERMANA
KNOWS THAT
THE SEVENTEEN
ARE DEAD

SHE DOESN'T
KNOW WHAT
KILLED THEM



THAT
EXPLAINS
HOW HE
GOT TO
ALGERIE'S
LIFE

THE WAY
HE REACTED
TO MY EVERY
THOUGHT

AND
WHY HE
KNOWS
ABOUT
DEVA'S
DEATH



THE HOLDER
OF DEATH, A
PRINCEMONIUM
USER, A MIND-
READER AS WELL
AS A MIND-
CONTROLLER

THAT'S THE
PERFECT
RECIPE FOR
DISASTER!



WITH
YOUR
OWN
HANDS

BUT
THAT
GUY
...



THERE ARE
ONLY TWO
SPELLS THAT
HUMANS HAVE
AGREED TO
FORGE

PRINCE-
MONIUM
AND RUPE
FRACTURE



WHEN HE
SUMMONED
THE DEMON,
I THOUGHT HE
WAS GOING TO
UNLEASH RUPE
FRACTURE AS
A FINALE

I THOUGHT
SO TOO

AND
THEN THERE'S
THE MOST
DESTRUCTIVE
SPELL EVER
CREATED

"PANDEMONIUM"

"RUNE FRACTURE"

A SPELL
PAINTED
BY MALIGNANT
SORCERERS TO
SUPPORT THE
DEMONS

CALLING FORTH
CREATURES FROM
THE UNDERWORLD
IS DEEMED A TABOO
AND FORBIDDEN
SINCE THE VERY
BEGINNING

THE SPELL WAS
CALLED RUNE
FRACTURE
AND IT WAS
IMMEDIATELY
BANNED BY
CONSENSUS

IT IS SO DESTRUCTIVE
THAT ANYONE FOUND
PRACTICING IT WILL
BE PUT TO DEATH

NO ONE KNOWS
HOW IT REALLY
LOOKS LIKE
SINCE THERE
WAS NO
WITNESS LEFT
WHEN A
CLUSTER OF
ISLANDS NEAR
DARTMOUTH
SUDDENLY
DISAPPEARED
OVERNIGHT

BUT RECORDS
REMAIN THAT
A RESEARCH HAD
BEEN CONDUCTED
ON ONE OF THE
ISLANDS TO DEVELOP
A SPELL THAT WOULD
REDUCE EVERYTHING
TO ASHES





TILL IT
COMPLETES
ITS TASK



BE ALIVE
AGAIN
AFTER IT
IS SHREDD



BE ALIVE
AGAIN
AFTER IT
IS BURNED



SUCH IS
ITS FATE
TO LIVE
THROUGH
ITS PAIN



MY PRECIOUS
CHILD, MY
LIFE, SHALL
SERVE TO
GATHER THE
REST.



THIS IS
REALLY
WHAT THE
BLACK KING
SAID?



SUCH
PERFECTION
IT INHERITS



THAT
PERFECTION
WOULD KILL
IT?



BUT
ALAS, MY
YOUNGEST
CHILD.



PERFECTION?
WHAT THE
HELL DOES
THAT MEAN?



BUT WHO
WOULD HAVE
IMAGINED IT
THAT IT
ACTUALLY
MEANT THE
HOLDER OF
DEATH



NO DOUBT
ABOUT IT



THIS IS THE
VERY PASSAGE
THAT SOMEONE
REFER TO AS THE
INTRODUCTION
OF THE ANTI-
MESSIAH

NOW WE'LL
NEED TO KNOW
WHETHER HE
DISCOVERED
THE ANSWER
OR NOT...

HE OFTEN
SAID THAT HE
WAS GOING TO
BE THE ONE TO
FIND OUT WHAT
"PERFECTION"
MEANS AND
DEFEAT THE
ANTI-MESSIAH

MASTER HYUNG-
ON DID MENTION
A LONG TIME AGO
THAT HE HAD BEEN
RESEARCHING ON
THE ANTI-MESSIAH
SINCE AS LONG AS
HE CAN REMEMBER

ALL THE
THEORIES ON MIND-
READING
TRACES BACK
TO THIS BOOK.

WHAT ABOUT
YOUR SIDE,
DEW?

IF HE HAD
THEN HE WOULDN'T
HAVE DIED AT THE
HANDS OF THE
ANTI-MESSIAH.

THE AUTHOR
CLAIMED TO
HAVE MET THE
HOLDER OF
MEMORIES AND
LEARNED ABOUT
THE ABILITY
BUT SHE NEVER
MASTERS IT
HIMSELF.

WHY?

SHE SAID IT'S A
UNIQUE ABILITY
THAT CANNOT BE
LEARNED BUT CAN
BE COUNTERED
BUT SHE HAS NOT
STATED ANYWHERE
IN THE BOOK HOW
TO COUNTER IT!

WHO
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?

SHE WROTE
MORE THAN
THAT SHE
WAS A REAL
LIVING
PERSON

AND I THOUGHT
THIS PERSON
WAS JUST A
LEGEND TO
THINK SHE
EVEN WROTE
THIS BOOK!



SHE WAS
THE ONE WHO
SPREADHEED
THE RESEARCH
INTO POTIONS
AND DRUGS

AND LATER
DIED TRAGICALLY
AT THE HANDS
OF HER OWN
VILLAGERS WHO
BELIEVED IN
THE WRATH OF
THE RAIN GOD

HIKA THE
LEGENDARY
SORCERESS.

POOR
WOMAN

TO LIVE IN
THE WRONG
PLACE AT
THE WRONG
TIME

THAT MEANS
SHE COULD
HAVE HAD
DESCENDANTS

W. SHE
WAS A
REAL
PERSON?

THIS
IMPERFECT
MEANS HE
DOESN'T
HAVE WHAT
IT TAKES
TO DIE

IT IS
PROBABLE
THAT HE
CANNOT
DIE EVEN
IF HE
WANTS
TO

SHE
HAS NO
FEM

THE ONLY
CHILDREN
SHE HAD
WERE ALSO
SACRIFICED
DURING THE
RITUAL.





THAT'S WHY
THE KINGS
DISAPPEARED

HE REGRETS
EVER GIVING
HUMANS THE
POWER OF
SORCERY??

COULD
IT BE



HOW
ARE WE
SUPPOSED
TO DEAL
WITH
THAT??

WHAT A
DISASTER



URGENT
MEETING
WITH THE
PRIME
MINISTER.

NEZARNA
DOW

JERIN
LUP

To be continued...